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TAGS: CO CASC

SUBJ: KIDNAPPING OF US BUSINESSMEN

REF: BOGOTA 8287

1. IMC AGENT JACK SWAN TOLD EMB TODAY (OCT 26) THAT FRONTINO MGR ROBERT SWAIN THOUGHT HE HAD WORKED OUT UNDERSTANDING WITH LOCAL ARMY COMMANDER TO ALLOW THE COMPANY TO MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH KIDNAPPERS OF KAST AND DOTSON. TODAY, COMPANY HAD ARRANGED CONTACT TO PAY RANSOM AND INFORMED ARMY OF DETAILS. DESPITE ALLEGED UNDERSTANDING, HOWEVER, SWAN SAID THAT WHEN COMPANY EMISARIES ATTEMPTED TO MAKE CONTACT, THEY AND FUNDS WERE TAKEN INTO CUSTODY BY ARMY. KIDNAPPERS DID NOT APPEAR.

2. FRONTINO MGR NOW TRAVELLING FROM MINE TO MEDELLIN TO DISCUSS SITUATION WITH BRIGADE COMMANDER RIVEROS AND CONSUL.  
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